

on leaving for America. After the victory, says Parkman, "England blazed with bonfires. In one spot alone all was dark and silent, for here a widowed mother mourned for a loving and devoted son, and the people forbore to profane her grief with the clamor of their rejoicings." That spot was Macartney House, Blackheath.

Over three years ago, on the 19th of July, 1906, I had the honor of delivering an address before the Canadian Club at Winnipeg, entitled "Canada at the Grave of General Wolfe," in which I pointed out that for nearly 150 years the grave of the hero who made not only this Dominion, but the United States possible, had lain utterly neglected, and advocated the erection by the Canadian people of a suitable monument at Greenwich. A resolution was unanimously adopted favoring the project. When this Club was inaugurated by Lord Grey a month afterwards, His Excellency asked me to merge my scheme in his larger project for the reclamation of the Plains of Abraham, and I most willingly did so, as he was of opinion then that it would be possible to divert enough from the fund to be raised for that purpose to build a monument at Greenwich. This afterwards proved difficult, and it was thought wise to adjourn further action on the project until the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Quebec and the death of Wolfe, which was the 13th of last September, and then bring it once more to the notice of the Canadian clubs. By a curious coincidence a conference of Canadian clubs was held in Montreal within two or three days after the anniversary, and the president and past presidents of this Club sought to have the matter taken up then, but unfortunately the time of the conference was occupied in drafting a constitution and selecting officers, and no time was left to deal with the Wolfe proposals, beyond turning them over to a committee for consideration. One good result accrued, however; the attention of Lord Northcliffe, who addressed you the other day, was attracted to the project, and as you so well remember, he concluded a patriotic speech on the Empire with the munificent gift of one hundred pounds towards the monument fund. Our object in meeting here today is to thank Lord Northcliffe for his generous gift, and to devise ways and means for carrying on a crusade that will extend to all the Canadian clubs in Canada for the purpose of securing enough money to fittingly honor the memory of the man whose life and death made this noble Canada of ours a possibility. Let it not be said that a distinguished Englishman has come amongst us and set an example which we are too supine or too indifferent to follow. I do not say too unpatriotic, because I put no limits to Canadian patriotism.